

2009, MAR. 2**A***

A two-stamp joint issue with Bulgaria for Ecology, Balkan Mountains; No designer information; Offset, no printer information listed.

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| 457 | 22d | Eurasian Woodcock, <i>Scolopax rusticola</i> |
| 458 | 46d | Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush, <i>Monticola saxatilis</i> |

SPAIN**2009, APR 1****A***

Fauna self-adhesive definitive; No designer information; Offset by National Printer.

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| 3635 | 0,43euro | Eurasian Capercaillie, <i>Tetrao urogallus</i> |
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Appeal for shells on stamps

I am a former biology teacher/administrator and a APS stamp dealer who winters on Sanibel Island off of Fort Myers, FL. On the island we have the Bailey Matthews Shell Museum that is the largest natural history museum dedicated solely to sea shells in the United States. Along with some of the museum employees and other volunteers, I am attempting to assist in building a shells on stamps collection to integrate with their sea shells to display for the public and more importantly to take into classrooms and introduce both stamp collecting as well as shell collecting to Florida school children. We hope to integrate this into the State of Florida educational standards and benchmarks by creating lesson plans and assessment tools for teachers. I have talked with Vera Felts from the ATA and will be in contact with personnel from APS also. We will of course be seeking donations of shells on stamps from collectors. Fortunately we can use single items as well as sets so anything will be appreciated. What I am wondering is if we ask your organization to use our article and perhaps have you send it out to your membership.

Any assistance or suggestions you may have in regard to this project would be appreciated.

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[Hopefully, some of our members may have some spares or duplicates – [Ed.]

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